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SUBJECT: BRATISLAVA ECOLOGICAL SYMPOSIUM

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1. DR. IGNAC FRATRIC IS DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, CZECHOSLOVAK ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION CONTROL CENTER (EPCC) IN BRATISLAVA. EPCC IS ONLY REMAINING UNDO-SPONSORED PROJECT IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA. PLEASE SEE PRAGUE 733 (4/9/74) AND PRAGUE A-47 (5/10/74) FOR DETAILED DESCRIPTIONS OF ACTIVITIES OF EPCC. OPERATIONALLY, EPCC IS UNDER JURISDICTION OF FEDERAL MINISTRY FOR TECHNOLOGY AND INVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT.

2. WHEN EMBASSY CONTACTED FRATRIC (WITH WHOM WE HAVE WORKED DURING 1974 "PROGRESS AND ENVIRONMENT" EXHIBIT AND 1973 VISIT OF CEQ MEMBER JOHN BUSTERUD) FOR INFORMATION ON BRATISLAVA SYMPOSIUM, FRATRIC SAID THAT EPCC WAS NOT REALLY SPONSORING SYMPOSIUM AND REFERRED US TO CZECH AND SLOVAK PEACE COUNCILS. CZECH PEACE COUNCIL, IN TURN, DECLINED TO FURNISH ANY INFORMATION ON SYMPOSIUM, CLAIMING THAT PRINCIPAL ORGANIZER WAS INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR PEACE, MOELLWALDPLATZ 5, A-1040 VIENNA.

3. ALTHOUGH WE DEFER TO EMBASSY VIENNA FOR BACKGROUND ON INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR PEACE, WE HAVE CLEAR
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IMPRESSION THAT SYMPOSIUM WILL BE LONG ON "PEACE"

PROPAGANDA AND SHORT ON REAL SCIENTIFIC CONTENT. ON
BASIS THIS IMPRESSION, WE WOULD SUGGEST EPA
SIT THIS ONE OUT AND AWAIT ANOTHER OCCASION.
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